# WEST OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL ENVIRONMENT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE THURSDAY, 13 JUNE 2019

## JOINT MUNICIPAL WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY FOR OXFORDSHIRE REPORT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES MANAGER

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The Committee's decision will be a recommendation to the Cabinet.

#### I. PURPOSE

To consider the adoption of the Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy for Oxfordshire.

#### 2. RECOMMENDATION

That the Cabinet be recommended to adopt the Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy for Oxfordshire.

#### 3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1. Oxfordshire Environment Partnership represents the City, District and County Council's in Oxfordshire and works with other groups with responsibility for the environment to share best practice and ideas and discuss policy.
- 3.2. Between April 2007 and March 2014, the partnership operated as the Oxfordshire Waste Partnership and agreed the first Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy (JMWMS) for Oxfordshire in 2007. The strategy is updated every 5 years and is due for its second review.
- 3.3. The draft JMWMS for Oxfordshire (Appendix 1) sets out how the Council's will work together to deliver sustainable waste management services. It runs from 2018-2023 and focuses on local authority collected waste.
- 3.4. The draft JMWMS is bold and ambitious. Some targets are aspirational and may be challenging to achieve. Its overarching aims are :
  - 3.4.1. Keep household waste growth to zero (per person per year)
  - 3.4.2. Increase the amount of household waste we recycle to 70% by 2030
  - 3.4.3. Send less than 3% of our household rubbish to landfill by 2020

#### 4. ALTERNATIVES/OPTIONS

4.1. None; under the Waste and Emissions Trading Act 2003, authorities in two tier areas have a duty to create and update a shared waste strategy.

#### 5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1. At present there is no existing budgetary allocation for the delivery of the strategy. Once the strategy is adopted, officers will develop an action plan which identifies the activities which should be carried out in order to achieve the aims of the strategy as well as the funding requirements. This will be presented to Environment ONS and Cabinet for consideration.

### 6. RISKS

6.1. Changes to the quantity of recycling material collected and how it is measured as an outcome of the consultations to support the delivery of DEFRA's Resources and Waste Strategy may make the arching aims more challenging to achieve.

#### 7. REASONS

7.1. To maintain and enhance West Oxfordshire as one of the best places to live, work and visit in Great Britain, to protect the environment, meet the current and future needs of residents and to provide efficient, value for money services.

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**Background Papers:** 

None